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SUBJECT: KOHL PREVIEWS GOVERNMENT COMPOSITION

1. CDU/CSU CHANCELLOR-CANDIDATE HELMUT KOHL HAS
NOW NAMED THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO
WILL ASSUME MAJOR ROLES IN HIS GOVERNMENT TEAM, IN THE
EVENT OF A UNION VICTORY IN THE OCTOBER 3 NATIONAL
ELECTION. KOHL POSTPONED THIS ANNOUNCEMENT
SEVERAL TIMES DURING THE PAST YEAR, REPORTEDLY BECAUSE
OF FAILURE TO OBTAIN THE AGREEMENT OF CSU CHAIRMAN
STRAUSS TO THE LIST.

2. IN A TELEVISION APPEARANCE LAST WEEK, KOHL NAMED
THE FOLLOWING CABINET DESIGNEES:

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-- FRANZ-JOSEF STRAUSS, CSU CHAIRMAN, TO BE

FINANCE MINISTER;

-- KARL CARSTENS, LEADER OF THE CDU-CSU BUNDESTAG
FRAKTION, TO BE FOREIGN MINISTER;

-- ALFRED DREGGER, CHAIRMAN OF THE HESSE CDU,
TO BE MINISTER OF INTERIOR;

-- GERHARD STOLTENBERG, MINISTER-PRESIDENT OF
SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN, AS ECONOMICS MINISTER;

-- MANFRED WOERNER, CDU BUNDESTAG DEPUTY
FROM BADEN-WUERTTEMBERG, AS DEFENSE MINISTER.

-- HANS KATZER, CDU BUNDESTAG DEPUTY FROM
COLOGNE, TO BE MINISTER OF LABOR.

3. IN AN AUGUST 30 ANNOUNCEMENT, KOHL ADDED TO THIS
LIST WITHOUT DELEGATING EXACT FUNCTIONS TO BE FULFILLED
AS FOLLOWS:

-- RAINER BARZEL, DEFEATED CDU/CSU CHANCELLOR
CANDIDATE IN THE 1972 ELECTION;

-- KURT BIEDENKOPF, CDU SECRETARY-GENERAL;

-- PETER LORENZ, CHAIRMAN OF THE WEST BERLIN
CDU;

-- HANS MAIER, BAVARIAN MINISTER OF CULTURAL
AFFAIRS (CSU);

-- RICHARD STUECKLEN, LEADER OF THE CSU
BUNDESTAG FRAKTION;

-- RICHARD VON WEIZSAECKER, CDU/CSU CANDIDATE
IN THE 1974 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION;

-- HELGA WEX, CDU BUNDESTAG DEPUTY FROM THE
RUHR;

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-- DOROTHEE WILMS, DEPUTY BUSINESS MANAGER AT
CDU NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS;

-- HANNA-RENAME LAURIEN, STATE SECRETARY IN THE
RHINELAND-PALATINATE CULTURAL MINISTRY.

4. IN TODAY'S SUPPLEMENTARY ANNOUNCEMENT OF HIS

GOVERNMENT MAKE-UP, KOHL STATED HE WAS NOT LINKING THE
ADDITIONAL NAMES TO CONCRETE ASSIGNMENTS, SO AS TO
LEAVE HIM SOME FLEXIBILITY IN PUTTING TOGETHER THE
REMAINDER OF HIS CABINET AFTER AN ELECTION WIN.
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